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Please note that the U.S. Patent No. 6,502,756, which is cited in the enclosed European Search Report for a related European Application No. EP 04104288.8, was previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on February 22, 2005 for the subject application; and a copy of U.S. Patent No.

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6,502,756 was filed with the February 22, 2005 IDS. Therefore, a copy of U.S. Patent No. 6,502,756 is not enclosed herewith.

Please note that the WIPO International Publication Nos. WO 01/75783 and WO 01/26033, which are cited in the enclosed European Search Report for a related European Application No. EP 04104288.8, were previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on April 23, 2004 for the subject application; and copies of WIPO International Publication Nos. WO 01/75783 and WO 01/26033 were filed with the April 23, 2004 IDS. Therefore, copies of WIPO International Publication Nos. WO 01/75783 and WO 01/26033 are not enclosed herewith.

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